REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 5 and 23-87 are pending. By this Amendment, no claims are cancelled, claims 1 and 32 are amended and no new claims are added. No new matter has been added.

Claim Objections

Claims 1, 32, 36, 41, 53, 57 and 70 stand objected to as being incomplete for omitting essential elements, in that it is said not to be clear that a computer is used. The claims, however, are all directed to methods of generating a "user interface" which the specification makes clear is for a computer. In light of the clarity of the description on this point, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims include all matter essential to the invention. As a result, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1, 4-5, 23-31, 62-65, and 32-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention because of the phrase "may be." While Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's assertion that the inclusion of the phrase "may be" in this context in any way renders the claims indefinite, base claims 1 and 32 have been amended to delete the phrase "may be." Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections in view of the amendments.

Claim Rejections -35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1, 4-5, 23-87 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,314,415 to Mukherjee in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,597,392 to Jenkins et al. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.
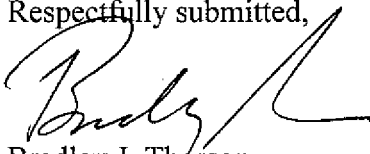
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Regarding claims 1, 32, 41, 53, 70, and the claims dependent therefrom, the Examiner cites col. 11, ll. 53-65 and col. 12, ll. 3-12 of Mukherjee '415 as disclosing selection and retrieval of a rule, wherein the rule determines, at least in part, whether a request can be fulfilled based on aspects of the user. The cited passages, however, refer to aspects of the <u>data</u> contained in the database, not aspects of the <u>user</u> (e.g. the person making the request) of the database. Applicant can find no other portion of Mukherjee '415 or the Jenkins '392 reference that discloses selective presentation of data in a user interface based on the identity of the user as claimed. Since the applied references do not disclose all aspects of the claimed inventions, they cannot render the inventions obvious. As a result, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1, 32, 41, 53, 70, and all claims dependent therefrom be withdrawn.

Regarding claims 36 and 57, the Examiner admits that Mukherjee '415 does not teach defining and presenting different types of presentations of medical information based on the identity of the user and the medical information. Final Office Action, p. 6. Figure 3 and col. 1, ll. 13-18 of Jenkins '392 are cited for this missing teaching. Id., p. 7. These portions of Jenkins '392, however, appear to relate only very generally to a computer based tool for capture, storage, and transmission of multi-media data for medical consultation. There is no disclosure of the specific claim elements referenced by the Examiner, in particular presentation of data based on the identity of the <u>user</u> requesting the data. As a result, the applied references fail to teach all aspects of the invention and cannot render the claimed invention obvious. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 36 and 57 and all claims dependent therefrom be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

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